

targets called for under the agreement and sustains them for 10 years, the JDIG could yield \$840,000 in maximum benefits for the company.

In addition, up to \$280,000 could be added to the state's Industrial Development Fund for infrastructure improvements in economically distressed counties. When a JDIG is awarded in the state's more prosperous counties such as Johnston, 25 percent of the grant is allocated to this fund to encourage economic development in less prosperous areas.

Other partners who assisted with this project include: the N.C. Department of Commerce, N.C. Community Colleges, N.C. Joblink Network, N.C. Department of Transportation, Johnston County, Buncombe County, and the Economic Development Coalition for Asheville-Buncombe County.

Through Gov. Perdue's JobsNOW initiative, the state continues to work aggressively to create well-paying jobs, train and retrain its workforce, and lay the foundation for a strong and sustainable economic future.

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